

THE WEEK'S NEWS

Tuesday, Feb. 11.

The bodies of King Carlos and Crown Prince Luis Philippe were laid away beside those of their royal ancestors in the sacred sepulchres of the Pantheon.

The Oklahoma house passed a measure providing that every hotel in the state shall provide nine-foot sheets and shall use "no cup, dish, vessel or receptacle for food that has cracks visible to the naked eye."

Vagrancy, mendicancy, intoxication and disorderly conduct or disturbance of the peace are hereafter to be dealt with severely by the officials of the Panama canal zone.

By a vote of thirteen to five, the house committee on naval affairs rejected the president's urgent recommendation that congress at this session authorize building four battleships, but voted for the construction of two battleships.

William F. Walker, the defaulting banker of New Britain, Conn., will go back to the United States to be tried, according to a statement made at the Mexican foreign office.

Boiler tubes on the cruiser St. Louis blew out while the St. Louis was off Sausalito, Cal. Four men were horribly scalded with steam. A rigid investigation is under way.

Nine miners were killed and one was probably fatally injured by an explosion of gas in a mine at South Carrollton, Ky.

Tommy Burns, American, knocked out Jack Palmer, the English champion, in the middle of the fourth round of what was scheduled to be a twenty-round contest at London for the heavyweight championship.

The constitutional amendment designed to disfranchise the negro voters of the state was passed by the Maryland senate.

Wednesday, Feb. 12.

Governor Hughes transmitted to the New York senate an extended message again requesting the removal from office, on grounds of incompetency, of Otto Kelsey, state superintendent of insurance.

A special naval court of inquiry rendered a report justifying the abandonment of the British steamer St. Cuthbert, which caught fire off Nova Scotia and was abandoned, a loss of fourteen lives resulting.

Mrs. Doris McDonald, who has been on trial at Chicago on the charge of murdering Webster S. Guerin, an artist, was acquitted by a jury.

William F. Walker, the absconding treasurer of the Savings Bank of New Britain, Conn., is making an elaborate defense against extradition.

An appeal for a fund to maintain an anti-home rule campaign in Great Britain has been issued by several Irish Unionist peers.

William H. Zinsler, for forty-seven years in the employ of the banking house of Drexel & Co., Philadelphia, committed suicide at his home by swallowing carbolic acid.

The net result of the Republican primaries held throughout Ohio was, for William H. Taft, four delegates-at-large and twenty-two district delegates to the national convention in Chicago, and a list of delegates to the state convention, which will be unanimously in his favor.

Three members of the Typographical union were fined \$250 each and sentenced to twenty days, imprisonment for disobedience of an injunction at New York.

About one million robins have been killed by hunters this winter in Louisiana, which is a winter home for these birds, according to President Miller of the Louisiana Audubon society.

Thursday, Feb. 13.

The Portuguese council of state has decided to pardon all the sailors imprisoned for the fleet mutiny in April, 1906. Six persons are believed to have been killed by the explosion of a mixer in the starch factory of C. S. Tanner at Providence. The building was wrecked by the explosion.

Congressman Allen of the First Maine district announced that he would accept another nomination for re-election to congress, if it should be given him.

A movement of national scope to nominate Judge George Gray for the presidency has been launched at Scranton, Pa.

Miss Hattie Hill, aged 21, and George Copp, aged 21, while taking a short cut to the Hamilton (Mass.) station were both instantly killed by a train.

President Charles L. White of Colby college has been chosen associate corresponding secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission society of New York.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Wellesley, Mass., called by the selectmen, was held to protest against the service rendered by the Boston and Albany railroad.

The five Passamaquoddy Indians who secured \$11,972 from Massachusetts coast towns and cities in rewards on bogus seal tails were given sentences ranging from two to twelve months in prison at Salem, Mass.

Friday, Feb. 14.

It has been learned that a bomb was found under the landing stage where King Carlos landed on the day of the assassination. It had failed to explode because of a defect in the fuse.

On representations by a banking firm of Boston, the Chicago, Cincinnati and Louisville Railroad company has been placed in the hands of a receiver.

An advance of 5 cents a barrel in the price of Ohio and Indiana crude oil was made by the Standard Oil company.

The Italian Prince De Formosa has been expelled from France by a decree signed by Premier Clemenceau.

The congress of Nicaragua has ratified all the treaties and conventions entered into by the Central American

peace congress held recently in Washington.

The board of directors of the Trades League of Philadelphia placed themselves on record as opposed to the passage of the Aldrich currency bill.

It is stated that W. B. Ridgely, the controller of the currency, has decided to accept the presidency of the reorganized National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City.

The National Consolidated Oil company, a million dollar concern, with outstanding bonds of \$200,000, has been placed in the hands of a receiver.

The Republican congressional committee of the Twenty-First Illinois district adopted resolutions endorsing the candidacy of Joseph G. Cannon for president.

Saturday, Feb. 15.

The great American fleet of sixteen battleships, under the command of Rear Admiral Evans, passed Valparaiso and continued on its voyage northward for Callao, Peru, the next stopping place.

The will of Mrs. Rylands, widow of John Rylands of the famous Manchester, Eng., cotton firm, bequeaths \$2,365,000 to various charities.

The American ship Emily Reed, 113 days out from New Castle, N. S. W., for Portland, with coal, went ashore on the Oregon coast and broke in two. Ten seamen were lost, while six were saved.

Woman suffragists who were arrested when they attempted to make a demonstration in the British house of commons went to jail for a term of six weeks rather than give sureties for their good behavior.

Charles Hastings, an American mineowner, was robbed at Paris of a pocket-book containing \$6000 by an English pickpocket.

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Tyler, Tex., was swept by a disastrous tornado. The storm swept over the main residence quarter of the city, leaving a trail of devastation and killing four persons.

The Wisconsin delegation to the national Democratic convention at Denver was instructed at the state convention to vote as a unit for William J. Bryan as the Democratic nominee for president.

The political situation in Portugal is improving daily. All danger of a revolution appears to have been removed from the horizon.

Sunday, Feb. 16.

Charles W. Morse, financier and promoter of many large combinations, was arrested in his stateroom when the steamer Etruria reached New York quarantine to answer to two indictments charging him with grand larceny, involving the sum of \$100,000.

Despite official assurances that harmony has been re-established between Austria and Russia, the situation arising from the question of railway concessions in the Balkans has not lost its tension.

Declaring that war between the United States and Japan was "too hellish" to be thought of, Baron Takahira, the new Japanese ambassador to Washington, said that the Japanese people know absolutely nothing of a break in the cordial relations between the nations.

The navy department has been officially advised of the arrival of the American torpedo boat flotilla at Talcahuano, Chile, four days ahead of the schedule.

The archbishop of Paris has issued a decree condemning the last two works of Abbe Loisy, "Synoptic Gospels," and his reply to the papal encyclical against modernism in the faith.

Ambassador Bryce has left Washington for Ottawa for the purpose of conferring with the Dominion officials relative to the boundary and fisheries dispute between that country and the United States.

Former Lieutenant Governor Ernest Cady of Connecticut was found dead in the bathtub at his home at Hartford. Death was due to fatty degeneration of the heart.

The body of a well-dressed man, with the feet tied, the wrists badly bruised and an ugly wound on the forehead, was found on the banks of the Merrimack river at Newburyport, Mass.

Monday, Feb. 17.

Mrs. Steven Matava and her son, Steven, were killed, and Mrs. Spencer Neeley was seriously injured at Denora, a Pittsburg suburb, by coming in contact with a live wire.

Frank H. Hitchcock, first assistant postmaster general, has concluded his service with the government to take up the work of managing the Taft presidential campaign in the south and east.

Governor Guild, fresh from his trip in the west, where he was boomed for vice president while with the Taft party, said that he would not refuse the nomination, but he made it perfectly clear that he was not a candidate.

Five hundred or more American school teachers will visit England, Scotland, Ireland and the continent of Europe next autumn for inspection of schools and methods of teaching in vogue there.

A pearl necklace and pin of extraordinary beauty, valued at \$60,000, have been stolen from the dressing room of Countess Von Wartensleben at Berlin.

The "Jim Crow" law went into effect on street cars and railways alike in Oklahoma. All railroads have arranged their depots and cars to comply with the law.

The armored cruiser North Carolina, during her third speed test run, maintained an average speed of 22.48 knots, or 48 of a knot in excess of contract speed requirements.

Senator Clay of Georgia is ill with an attack of acute indigestion at Washington. He is seriously ill, although not in immediate danger.

Washington's Birthday

at Guernsey

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DROOMBACH.

was looked upon by all of us as an intruder. Manifestly an alien, his grotesque appearance and halting English were the subjects of numerous rude jests. He occupied with his wife a poor old house just beyond the campus.

Professor Dimmit, who had held the position before him, had acquired his German at Heidelberg. He was a splendid specimen of manhood, genial, brilliant and handsome—a veritable hero among us. We could easily forgive him for resigning the position to take a better one, but we could not forgive Professor Droombach for taking his place.

Bonny Thayer, our class president, was the moving spirit of it all. He was a generous, good natured fellow, whose love for Professor Dimmit had amounted to something like hero worship, and he was never able to look at his favorite's successor without instituting a comparison between the two. Indeed, he had persuaded himself that his ill feeling toward Droombach was an expression of loyalty toward Dimmit. It is not necessary to enter into the details of the plan that was finally settled upon. Enough heavy cotton cloth had been purchased to cover the entire outside of the professor's wretched house. With the aid of a pot of red paint this was decorated with pictures and mottoes in which the old man was mercilessly caricatured.

Ever since his connection with the school, Professor Droombach's custom had been to go each Wednesday evening with his wife over to Fairfield and return on the early train the following morning. We had never been able to fathom the purpose of these mysterious visits. However, as the 22d fell this year upon Thursday, the professor's absence would leave us more free to carry out our plans. As the house was not visible from the public road, we went down before dark to perfect our arrangements. The place looked as though it were scarcely habitable.

"We'll tack the big banner here," Bonny was saying as he tapped the crazy door with his hatchet. At this moment our eyes fell upon a board nailed across the lower part of the door in a bungling fashion. This piece of carpenter work called forth uproarious laughter, in which Bonny Thayer did not join. After going on his knees to examine it closely he rose to his feet with a sober face.

"When?" he exclaimed. "You can see clear through the place, and there's hardly a thing in the house, boys. Just wait here a minute. I'm going over to Billy's."

He added, darting out of the gate.

Billy Henshaw was a great friend of all the Guernsey boys. He was a sort of Jack of all trades and could mend anything from a watch to a wagon. Bonny Thayer was a born mechanic and spent an occasional hour in Billy's shop. In a few minutes Bonny appeared with a couple of boards under one arm, a saw, a hatchet and a bag of nails.

"Before we decorate the house," he said, "we can at least tinker up the old man's door a little."

He wrenched off the board from its fastenings and looked in again. Then he uttered a long, low whistle. The rest of us crowded about and looked in. The revelation of poverty was absolutely startling.

"Why, he must be a miserly old

wretch!" Dick Davis exclaimed. "Professor Dimmit managed to live well enough."

"But look here," said Bonny, driving a nail: "they reduced the salary one-third, and Dimmit used to make a good deal from outside lessons. It's miserable pay, and Droombach hasn't an outside lesson."

Bonny hammered industriously for a moment and then went on: "Billy Henshaw says that the old man has had a terribly hard time to get along. Mrs. Droombach is suffering from a malignant cancer, and about everything the old man gets has to go to the doctors. They've gone down to Fairfield to see one. Look here, boys; I got this plan up, but I'm not going on with it."

"Hold!" said Dick Davis. "What are we going to do for your joke, then?" "I don't care. I'm going to mend that broken window frame, and then I intend to go down to the grocery and invest the little money I have in some flour and meat. If any of you want to help, all right."

For a full minute we were all speechless with astonishment, but boys are sympathetic to the leadership of an admired comrade, and there was not a dissenting voice. At a late hour that night a loaded wagon was driven up to the rear of the cabin, and the boys hurried to and fro, stowing boxes and barrels into the shed.

When the teachers filed into the chapel the following morning Professor Droombach's face showed unwelcome excitement. On the conclusion of the services Dr. Logan arose and said: "Professor Droombach wishes to speak of a matter which he has reason to believe concerns the seniors; therefore he requests the class president, Alphon Thayer, to come to the stage."

Thayer was taken by surprise, but he put on a bold front and stood facing the little German, who poured out an incoherent flood of thanks, which no one but the class understood.

As Thayer was about to quit the stage the doctor recalled him saying that there were some things that Professor Droombach wished him to add. Not only had many valuable gifts been left at his house, but some one had added greatly to the habitability and comfort of his dwelling. Could Mr. Thayer explain that?

For a minute Bonny hesitated. As he did so he glanced up to where the Father of His Country looked down from the drapery of flags. A merry twinkle came into his blue eyes, and with a low bow, first to the doctor, then to the professor, he said:

"Sir, I cannot tell a lie. I did it with my little hatchet!"

He took his seat amid a storm of applause.

Strange as it may seem, the little incident worked wonders. First it led the faculty to make inquiries which resulted in an increase in the professor's salary and also to the transfer of himself and his wife to comfortable lodgings in the college building.

Warned by the kindly influences thrown around him, the little old professor seemed to become a new man, and, in spite of his uncouth manners, we learned to love and respect him. There was no one from whom we parted with more genuine regret at the close of the year.

Washington as an Inventor.

George Washington, like Abraham Lincoln, was an inventor. He invented a deep soil plow, which was used on his plantations in Virginia until he heard of a better one in England. This he imported at once. His invention was useful, which is more than can be said of Lincoln's. The latter invented a flatboat designed to go through very shallow water or lift itself over bars, but it would not work.

Washington's Size.

George Washington was six feet two inches tall and weighed 175 pounds, according to a physical description of him at the age of twenty-eight. He had big hands, big feet, big joints and was well muscled. He walked quite erect, and at the age of sixty-five it was remarked that he was as straight as ever in his carriage.

February Twenty-two.

To you, dear George, the fates were kind, Far kinder than to me.

'Twas twenty-two, I see, for you, Not baleful 'twenty-three!' EARLE HOOKER EATON.

Washington Liked to Fish.

Grover Cleveland was not the only president of the United States who dearly loved to fish. There was a precedent for his fishing expeditions in the outings of George Washington. In his diaries he tells us that he "went a-dragging for sturgeon" frequently. In 1787, while in Philadelphia, he got fishing tackle and went up to his old camping ground at Valley Forge, where he spent a day casting his lines. Two years later he was at Portsmouth, and, as he writes, "having lines, we proceeded to the fishing banks a little without the harbor and fished for cod, but, it not being a proper time of tide, we only caught two." That year he became president, the capital being New York. In a newspaper of 1790 there is an item that "yesterday the president of the United States returned from Sandy Hook and the fishing banks, where he had been for the benefit of the sea air and to amuse himself in the delightful recreation of fishing. We are told he has had excellent sport, having himself caught a great number of sea bass and black fish."

Washington's Wasted Chance.

"George Washington was not much of a business man, I take it," remarked the capricious critic as he deftly trimmed the fringe on his antiquated and well worn cuffs.

"How do you make that out?" "Well, when he crossed the Delaware it was full of floating ice. There was ice going to waste. Yet George went on to Trenton and fought the British."

"What else should he have done?" "Well, he might have organized an ice trust with offices in Jersey City, cornered all that ice and become the father of the octopus."

Like Immortal George.

When Weary Walker split the wood He feared that he would catch it, But when the other hobo howled, "Who worked de ax?" he only growled, "I did it wit' me hatchet!" TIED TRADDLES.

A Market for Your Hides, Tallow and Bones

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Prudence.

A tall man, impatiently pacing the platform of a wayside station, accosted a boy of about twelve.

"S-s-say," he said, "d-d-d-o-y-you know h-h-how late this train is?" The boy grinned, but made no reply. The man stuttered out something about kids in general and passed into the station.

A stranger asked the boy why he hadn't answered the big man. "D-d-d-y-e want to see me g-g-get me fa-fa-face punched? D-d-dat big-guy'd 'tink I was m-m-mocking him."—Everybody's.

No Exceptions to This Rule.

"Willie," said a fond mother, "you should go to bed early. Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise, you know. You should go to bed with the sun. The chickens go to bed with the sun."

"Yes, I know they do, mamma, but the old hen—she always goes with 'em!"

She Wanted to Know.

It was at a New York Symphony orchestra concert conducted by Walter Damrosch. The audience was anticipating an exquisite rendition of choice selections from some famous composers, conspicuous among whom was Richard Wagner, the opening number in this instance being one of his compositions.

As was usual, the leading performers of the orchestra as they appeared upon the platform were met with enthusiastic applause, the climax being reached with the appearance of Mr. Damrosch himself.

When the excitement had somewhat subsided and the concert was about to begin a well-dressed woman, seated quite near the front, turned to the woman beside her and said in an audible voice: "Pardon me, but would you kindly tell me which one is Wagner?"

About Fertilizers

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Expensive.

His restless nature had made him a torment to his teacher at times, and one afternoon she kept him after the others were dismissed and had a serious talk with him. "I certainly will have to ask your father to come and see me."

"Don't you do it."

"Why not?" inquired the teacher.

"Cause he's a doctor and charges \$2 a visit."

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J. B. CORTON.

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Estate of Anne Bulard

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE

The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Middlesex, Commissioners, to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Anne Bulard, late of Hyde Park, Vt., in said district, deceased, and claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid at the County Clerk's Office in Hyde Park, on the 24th day of February, and 3d day of August, next, from two o'clock until five o'clock p. m., each of said days, and that six months from the 1st day of February, A. D. 1908 is the time limited by said court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated at Hyde Park, this 3rd day of February, A. D. 1908.

H. L. STEVENS, Commissioner.

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He Won the Dog.

A minister, walking along the street one day, saw a crowd of boys sitting in a ring, with a small dog in the center. When he came up to them he asked:

"What are you doing to the dog?" One little boy said, "Whoever tells the biggest lie wins it."

"I am surprised at you little boys, for when I was like you I never told a lie."

There was a silence for awhile, until one of the boys shouted, "Hand him up the dog!"

TEARS.

Not in the time of pleasure Hope doth set her bow. But in the sky of sorrow, Over the vale of woe.

Through gloom and shadow look we On beyond the years. The soul would have no rainbow Had the eyes no tears.

—Century.

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